

## WOULD NOT MAKE THEM IRONCLAD

Failure of Illinois Convention to Give Binding Instructions Disappointing to Bryan.

## SENTIMENT OF STATE STRONG FOR JOHNSON

Claim Now Made That Bryan Has Practically All the Pennsylvania Delegates—May Try to Have the Two-Thirds Rule Abolished.

Times-Dispatch Bureau, Munsey Building, Washington, D. C., April 25. The feature of the past week, politically speaking, was the Illinois Democratic convention Thursday, which instructed for Mr. Bryan. Mr. Bryan's friends claimed in the convention, however, after the resolution had been adopted, that the instructions were not strong enough, and an effort was made to have them amended so as to bind the Illinois delegates to vote for Bryan as long as his name was before the convention. This effort failed, and the Illinois Big Four will go to Denver pledged only to use "all honorable means" to procure Mr. Bryan's nomination.

This is quite different from what is termed "Ironclad" instructions, and the opponents of Mr. Bryan's nomination insist that the support of the Illinois delegation may well be regarded as likely to be weaned away from Mr. Bryan.

A Washington man who has just spent considerable time in Illinois, the most of it at Chicago, expresses the opinion that the sentiment of the State of that State, great as it is for Johnson, in conversation with The Times-Dispatch correspondent he went further, and offered to wager that the vote of the Illinois delegation, fifty-four strong, would be cast for the Minnesota candidate.

Looks Like Bryan in Penna. Pennsylvania may afford a political surprise long before the Denver convention. The positive statement was made to The Times-Dispatch correspondent to-day that sixty-two Bryan delegates had been chosen in that State. Pennsylvania is entitled to sixty-eight delegates.

It would really appear as though the claim which has been made by the Bryan men all along that Pennsylvania would send to Denver a delegation instructed for their candidate would be made good. The Bryan advocates still claim that there is no reasonable doubt of his nomination on the first ballot. It is true, however, that the prospect of Mr. Bryan's nomination is not as strong as it was a month ago, or even less than a week ago. The quarters of a century. There would not be the slightest doubt of the nomination of Mr. Bryan were the convention to amend the rules so as to require only a bare majority to nominate.

A statement was made to The Times-Dispatch correspondent to-day by a man who is very close to Mr. Bryan and is actively engaged in the management of the Bryan campaign, that there was not the slightest intention on the part of the Bryan people to make an effort to abolish the two-thirds rule.

The rule, whether wise or otherwise, is so thoroughly established that to attempt to do away with it would be very unwise," he said. "We will nominate Mr. Bryan under the two-thirds rule, and we will do it on the first ballot."

How the Rule Has Worked. Only twice in the history of the Democratic party has the two-thirds rule prevented the nomination of a candidate who had the support of the majority of the delegates. In the Democratic convention of 1854, at Baltimore, Van Buren received 146 votes, while the combined vote of all the other candidates was 154. Still, Van Buren lacked thirty-two votes of giving him two-thirds of 178. On the ninth ballot James K. Polk was nominated. It is significant that the nomination was unanimous before the result of the ballot was announced. In the Second West Virginia, Twelfth Michigan, Eighth Alabama, Fourth and Eighth North Carolina and Eighth Tennessee. The contests are in Arizona and the Third Florida. The uninstructed delegates are from the Twenty-first and Twenty-sixth New York, Nevada's six delegates-at-large, New Hampshire's four delegates-at-large, the First and Second New Hampshire and the First and Thirteenth Massachusetts.

Ten State conventions are scheduled for next week—those of West Virginia, Pennsylvania, North Carolina, Arkansas, Maine, Colorado, Vermont, Maryland, Mississippi and South Carolina. One of the Alabama State conventions also will be held, two having been announced. The Alaska convention and the primaries in the District of Columbia are among the political events of the coming week, and district conventions to the number of nearly two score.

Claims of the Taftites. The following statement was issued by authority of the Taft bureau in this city this afternoon:

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Commencing Monday morning, and continuing for one week, we are going to give you an opportunity of supplying your many little wants of 25c and 35c articles, which are every-day necessities, at our Annual 9c Sale, which you can easily see by glancing at the articles below, to be extraordinary values. Hundreds of others can be seen at the store. Read over carefully and mark the articles desired. It will save us both time.

There is a limit to some of these articles. Come early, so you won't be disappointed.

15c and 20c Tooth Brushes, 50 kinds to select from.....9c  
15c Shaving Brushes, all styles.....9c  
2 Honeycomb Wash Rags.....9c  
Sponges of all sizes and descriptions.....9c  
2 Pure Gum Nursery Nipples.....9c  
2 Hand Scrubbers.....9c  
15c Glass Syringes, rubber tips.....9c  
2 bottles Clover Brand Ink.....9c  
Gentlemen's and Ladies' Dressing Combs, all styles.....9c  
Ladies' and Gentlemen's Hair Brushes, regular 25c quality.....9c  
Graduated Medicine Glasses.....9c  
2 cakes Hand Pumice.....9c  
Celluloid or Silk Eye Caps.....9c  
Liquid Court Plaster.....9c  
7c cakes Witch Hazel Soap.....9c  
Gents' Pocket Combs—rubber and aluminum.....9c  
Cuttle Fish Bone, 2 pieces.....9c  
Ruby Nailers, 3 for.....9c  
Clothes Brushes.....9c  
2 cakes Vanus Toilet Soap.....9c  
5 cakes Derby 5c Soap.....9c  
Pomade Petrola for the hair.....9c  
Wilbert's Face Powder, white and flesh.....9c  
Palmer's Cold Cream.....9c  
25c Theatre Rouge.....9c  
1 bottle Soda Mints and Potash Tabs.....9c

2 oz. jar Tragle's Cold Cream.....9c  
1 bottle Blue Lick Water.....9c  
1 bottle Gold Paint.....9c  
Frog in Throat.....9c  
4 sheets Tanglefoot Fly Paper.....9c  
Blackening Brushes.....9c  
2 boxes S. B. Cough Drops.....9c  
2 boxes Luden's Cough Drops.....9c  
Insect Powder Guns.....9c  
2 bottles Iron Glue.....9c  
1 bottle Royal Glue.....9c  
2 bottles mucilage.....9c

Box Corn and Bunion Plasters.....9c  
Kapp's Baby Friend.....9c  
15c bottle Quinine.....9c  
Box 100 M. T. Capsules, any size.....9c  
3 sets Seeditz Powders.....9c  
2 oz. Charcoal.....9c  
2 blocks Gum Camphor.....9c  
1 bottle Pearl Dust Powder.....9c  
Phenol Sodique Powder.....9c  
Burrough's Charcoal Tablets.....9c  
3 10c bottles Antifag.....9c  
Baby Pacifiers, with bell.....9c  
3 Thin Rubber Finger Stalls.....9c

3 bottles Harlem Oil.....9c  
3 dozen 2-grain Quinine Pills.....9c  
2 dozen C. B. Pills.....9c  
15c Star Corn Salve.....9c  
One Night Corn Salve.....9c  
Acorn Salve.....9c  
Alcock's Corn Plasters.....9c  
Kohler's Headache Powders.....9c  
Marshall Cough Cigarettes.....9c  
2 cakes Colgate's Shaving Soap.....9c  
Colgate's Shaving Stick Soap.....9c  
Yankee Shaving Soap.....9c  
2 packages Compressed Herbs.....9c  
Pennyroyal, Tansey, Sage, Hops.....9c  
4 sticks D. & S. Licorice.....9c  
Styptic Pencils, for cuts in shaving.....9c  
2 Glass Medicine Tubes.....9c  
2 Nickel Key Rings.....9c  
15c Nickel Tweezers.....9c  
15c Nickel Files.....9c  
15c Bottle Brushes for Nursing Bottles.....9c  
2 Medicine Droppers.....9c

1 lb. Mule-Team Borax, 9c  
2 Nursing Bottles.....9c  
2 cans Colburn's Mustard.....9c  
1 bottle Photographer's Paste.....9c  
1 bottle Bee Brand Root Beer.....9c  
2 oz. block Magnesia Carbonate.....9c  
15c Deane's Belladonna Plaster.....9c  
1 cake Bon Ami.....9c

1 cake Hand Sapolio.....9c  
1 cake Kitchen Sapolio.....9c  
2 10c cakes Buttermilk Soap.....9c  
2 cakes Ivory Soap.....9c  
2 cakes Fairy Soap.....9c  
2 cakes Snowberry Soap.....9c  
2 cakes Scented Soap.....9c  
3-in-1 Machine Oil.....9c  
5-oz. bottle Sewing Machine Oil.....9c

3 rolls Toilet Paper.....9c  
Pound can Mixed Paint, any color.....9c  
25c bottle Garwood's Violet Water.....9c  
3 packages Toilet Paper.....9c  
2 boxes Silver Bird Gravel.....9c  
3 boxes Tooth Picks, 1,000 in box.....9c  
1 pair Rubber Crutch Tips.....9c  
Black Flag Insect Powder.....9c  
2 10c cans Insect Powder.....9c  
1 can Roach Killer.....9c  
1 box Fish Food.....9c  
1 oz. Triple Extract (any odor).....9c  
1/2 lb. Horehound Drops.....9c  
3 cakes Palm Soap.....9c  
15c box Pine Writing Paper.....9c  
2 packages Linen Envelopes.....9c  
1 dozen Pen Points.....9c  
3 5c Lead Pencils.....9c  
10c Writing Pads.....9c  
3 cakes Glycerine Soap, 5c kind.....9c  
25c Aluminum Screw Cap Jar.....9c  
15c Celluloid Soap Boxes.....9c  
2 10c boxes Talcum Powder.....9c  
3 bars Castile Soap.....9c  
10c Dr. Scott's Salve.....9c  
1 lb. Borax.....9c

3 lbs. Moth Balls.....9c  
1/2 lb. Packing Camphor.....9c  
2 blocks Gum Camphor.....9c  
1 lb. Flaxseed Meal.....9c  
1 lb. Flaxseed.....9c  
1 lb. Epsom Salts.....9c  
2 lbs. Sulphur.....9c  
Electro Silicon.....9c

Putz Pomade.....9c  
Dental Floss, 10-yard spool.....9c  
15c 1 lb. Phila. Mix. Bird Seed, in box.....9c  
2 packages Court Plaster.....9c  
1 yard 1-inch Adhesive Plaster.....9c  
1 lb. package Absorbent Cotton.....9c  
25c Sensible Nail Clippers.....9c  
15c bottle Bay Rum.....9c  
1 box Brookdale Talcum Powder.....9c  
25c box Garwood's Violet Powder.....9c  
2 1/2 lb. pkgs. Rock Candy.....9c  
2 boxes Slippery Elm Lozenges.....9c  
2 bottles Household Ammonia.....9c  
1 box Blxols, the new polish.....9c  
Bixby's Combination Black and Tan Shoe Polish.....9c  
Whitmore's Combination Polish.....9c  
Brown's Shoe Dressing.....9c  
Two-In-One Shoe Polish.....9c  
15c Whisk Brooms.....9c  
25c Tragle's Cold and Grippe Cure.....9c

Tragle's 40 Little Liver Pills.....9c  
3 5c pkgs. Garwood's Breath Violets.....9c  
2 10c pkgs. Tragle's Headache Tablets.....9c  
2 10c bottles Garwood's Cologne.....9c  
25c Japanese Hat and Tooth Picks.....9c  
15c Rubber Facial Sponges.....9c  
25c Rubber Complexion Brushes.....9c  
2 pkgs. Adams' or Beeman's Gum.....9c  
15c Chamols.....9c  
Cork and Leather Insoles (all sizes).....9c  
25c Garwood's Sachet Powder, oz. bottles.....9c  
3 pkgs. Japanese Tooth Picks.....9c  
25c Cork Screws.....9c  
Patterson's Toothache Wax.....9c  
4 Orange Sticks for.....9c  
15c box Emery Boards.....9c  
Gauze Bandages, 1, 2, 3 and 4-in.....9c  
1 yard Absorbent Gauze.....9c

Graduated Medicine Glass, gold rim.....9c  
2 15c Hair Brushes.....9c  
25c bottle Sachet Powder, all odors.....9c  
1/2 lb. M. & J. Coffee.....9c

Two 10c packages Tragle's Headache Tablets 9c  
3 sheets White Tar Paper, moth destroyer.....9c  
25c Highly Perfumed Bath Tabs.....9c  
2 10c pkgs. Lapi's Hat Cleaner.....9c  
15c Menthol Inhaler.....9c  
2 10c size Waterproof Liquid Court Plasters.....9c

Two 7c bars Valley Rose Glycerine Soap.....9c  
2 10c bars Imperial Glycerine Soap.....9c  
2 cakes Venus Soap.....9c  
15c bottle Bay Rum Hair Oil.....9c  
15c bottle Florentine Pomade.....9c

25c Small Gent's Traveling Whisk.....9c  
25c Violet or Rose Cream.....9c  
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25c box Cold and Grippe Tablets.....9c  
1/2 pt. Double Distilled Witch Hazel.....9c  
15c box Charcoal Tablets.....9c  
15c Alcock's Plaster.....9c  
15c Malena Salve.....9c  
15c Kentucky Condition Powders.....9c  
15c and 25c Nail Files.....9c  
15c Colgate's Stick Cosmetics.....9c  
25c Carbolic Soap.....9c

25c Bottle Dead Sure for Bed Bugs.....9c  
10c Hand Sapolio.....9c  
1 pair Crutch Tips.....9c  
1 box Gold Fish Food.....9c  
15c box Paper and Envelopes.....9c  
15c Writing Tablet.....9c  
2 5c School Pads.....9c  
15c Fine Comb.....9c

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Any prescription containing rare alkaloids or chemicals, or which requires the knowledge of expert pharmacists, and is not obtainable by you, send it to us and have it filled as it should be.

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## ENTERTAINMENT BY PICKETT CAMP CHOIR



MRS. J. GRIFF EDWARDS.

At the Y. M. C. A. Hall on Thursday evening an entertainment will be given by the Confederate choir of Pickett Camp. Mrs. J. Griff Edwards, of Portsmouth, who is the present commander-in-chief of all the Confederate choirs, will be the leading soloist. Mrs. Edwards has made this cause her life work, and among other songs that are always dear to Southern people, she will sing her own arrangement of the selection known as "Songs of Dixie." The choir will render several selections, as well as all the chorus work. Mr. F. W. Schleck, of Baltimore, who has been recently heard at concerts at

ladies, who have given much of their time toward cheering the evenings of "The old boys of '61-'65" by recalling the dear songs of the South. The present captain of the choir is Miss Louise Stephan.

Tickets for the entertainment of Thursday may be had at the Cable Company, Schaaf's, Tragle's or from any member of the choir.

## GERMAN AT WILSON

Enster Dance in Carrollton Town a Brilliant Affair.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] WILSON, N. C., April 25.—As has been the custom for many years, the Wilson German Club gave Easter week its annual dance, which occasion is always looked forward to and attended by many of the dancing society young people of Eastern North Carolina. This great local society event was celebrated last night, and the occasion was in all respects up to

the high standard of its predecessors. The German last evening was given in the Watson warehouse, the regular dancing hall being too small to accommodate the large number of participants. This large hall was beautifully and elaborately decorated for the occasion and presented a scene of loveliness to all who attended. Festoons of electric lights, bunting and plants lent attractiveness to the scene.

The German was led by Mr. George Stronach, with Miss Nan Branch, who introduced many beautiful figures. Nearly 100 couples participated. At midnight there was given an intermission, during which an elegant supper was served, under the supervision of Mrs. George Stanton. Then "on went the dance" till the small hours of the morning, Lewis's orchestra, of Raleigh, furnishing the music. With the excellent floor, the glorious music and the happy throng of the young people, there was nothing lacking to make the event a most memorable one in the lives of all present.

## PUBLISHING HOUSE REPORTS FINE YEAR

Encouraging Figures Will Be Submitted to General Assembly at Its Meeting Next Month. Benefit to Richmond.

The rapid development of the business of the Presbyterian Committee of Publication is a matter of pride to all public-spirited citizens of Richmond. The annual report for the ecclesiastical year closing March 31st, has been prepared for the General Assembly of the church, which is to meet May 20th next at Greensboro, N. C., and it discloses that the period was the best in the history of the committee, despite the fact that panic conditions prevailed for about six months of the time.

History of Work. The publication department of the Southern Presbyterian Church was established in Richmond during the stormy days of the Civil War, and in common with all other business and benevolent enterprises, its activities were almost wrecked by the disasters of the dark days from 1861 to 1865.

Effective at once, the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad will operate on Sundays only on train No. 19 leaving Richmond at 8:40 A. M., combination chair and dining car, serving light breakfast on weekdays, a hot before, this train will have Pullman parlor car (not buffet). On train No. 19, leaving Washington at 4:50 P. M., dining car service will be discontinued, and parlor car service will be discontinued on Sundays.

was held in higher respect, was secretary and treasurer from 1877 to the time of his death in 1902. Dr. Hazen was eminently conservative and wise, and guided the committee safely through a trying and critical period, and laid foundations for a future enlargement of its activities.

The Assembly of 1901 provided for establishing a department of Sabbath school extension, and Dr. Hazen was permitted to see the work inaugurated under the leadership of the Rev. A. I. Phillips, D. D., and generous plans were made for the vigorous prosecution of this department of the church activity.

Mr. E. Magill, a business man of Nashville, Tenn., who had manifested a lively interest in the larger life of the church, was called to undertake the business management of the committee after the death of Dr. Hazen, and he was elected secretary and treasurer by the assembly of 1903, and has since that date been the official head of the publication interests of the church.

of home and foreign publishers is carried, and a very large general constituency is served, both through the retail and the mail order department.

A department of church and Sunday school equipment furnishes material for every kind of work and for all denominations. By special arrangement the supplies used by the Episcopal Sunday schools in the Diocese of Virginia are carried in stock and supplied to the workers of this church.

The mail order department in books has assumed very large proportions, and the records of the postal service will show that the committee, in its combined periodical and book department, is one of the largest patrons of the post-office in Richmond.

Orders are filled from the fourteen Southern States, and the committee furnishes supplies to the missionaries of the church in foreign lands, and has in the recent past received voluntary orders from the gold coast, South Africa, and from Australia.

Comparative Table. The development of the business and the enlarged service the committee is rendering the church may be seen in part by a comparative table of sales from 1902 to 1908.

The business reported to the assembly for this period was as follows: Sales reported 1902, \$30,000; 1903, \$43,587; 1904, \$52,201; 1905, \$105,307; 1906, \$116,951; 1907, \$129,001; 1908, \$146,064.

The business is not operated for the purpose of making a profit and accumulating a surplus, but all the net earnings, aside from a small reserve for working capital, are used in the extension and benevolent work of the church. During the past six years the committee has appropriated \$32,704 from the profits for this benevolent work.

The publication of Sunday school periodicals represents an important department of the committee's work, and the increase in circulation has been very remarkable during the past few years.

The report just issued shows the following circulation of Sunday school periodicals in single copies for period ending March 31st of each year: Copies published in 1902, 3,616,000; 1903, 4,619,850; 1904, 5,333,100; 1905, 7,375,100; 1906, 7,572,294; 1907, 7,731,201; 1908, 8,462,177.

The first number of a new eight-page illustrated paper, *Onward*, was published in July, 1907, and on April 1, 1908, this paper had a weekly circulation of 12,000 copies.

Altogether the work of the committee is in a highly satisfactory condition, and the report will be very gratifying to the church.

No institution here advertises the prestige of Richmond to a wider constituency and the growing volume of business adds to the reputation of the city as a publishing and distributing center.

John Watkins, colored, charged with stabbing John Trent, was fined \$25 and put under \$100 security, ninety days in the city court yesterday morning. Watkins protested that he was just "playing," but he failed to convince the court.